

Fremont Master Plan Survey

Project Engagement

VIEWS	PARTICIPANTS	RESPONSES	COMMENTS	SUBSCRIBERS
1,071	406	23,025	224	69

What do you like MOST about living in Fremont? Select your top 3 answers.

69%	Rural atmosphere	240 ✓
50%	Friendly atmosphere	174 ✓
44%	Near main highways	151 ✓
43%	Natural Features	150 ✓
16%	Hometown	54 ✓
12%	Affordability	41 ✓
11%	Near employeer	38 ✓
8%	Quality of schools	27 ✓
7%	Near medical services	24 ✓

- I moved to Fremont because it was rural, unfortunately, new construction is eroding that away. Even the wetlands are being compromised.
6 days ago
- It's quite and little to no traffic . Love the nature and open land . Can go home to be on vacation
10 days ago
- used to love the peace and quiet until the trucks took over Beede Hill Rd.
16 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Peace and quiet, yet near supermarkets and medical services. Good highway department. Responsive police department though they need another officer.
17 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Ellis is 167th of 233 New Hampshire Elementary Schools and when people cannot build homes or start businesses in Fremont it affects affordability which is on the decline.
20 days ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- I love the quiet and beauty of Fremont but that I can also hop on the highway and be anywhere from the beach to shopping, to shows in Manchester etc. in 30 minutes or less
21 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Convenient location. Short drive to everything we need, far enough away from Portsmouth and Manchester to keep it rural, but close enough to enjoy those places for what they offer. Have no problem with some business development in Fremont.
21 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- I love the small town feel. Moved here from Epping 5 years ago.
22 days ago
- I like that stores are 10 min either way, but little commerce in Fremont.
22 days ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- Na
22 days ago

-  Moved here in 2006 and loved the small town feel. Once having children in town I enjoyed the community aspect of living here. Love having property with privacy. Taxes are killing me softly but it is what it is.
Wish the buildings would stop tearing down all the trees. What once was a great nature walk is turning into development after development and now all the trees are gone.
22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
-  Being close to shopping/restaurants is a plus for me as well.
22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
-  Interestingly, "Quality of school" is the lowest, while are high property taxes go mostly to the school funds! lol
28 days ago ⊕ 3 Agree
-  The semirural atmosphere with access to nature are Fremont's best features. It's a shame to see them being ruined through construction of the new housing on South Road and in other locations. New houses typically cost the town more than the revenue that is brought in through the additional property taxes. I hope that the planning board keeps that fact in mind in the future.
29 days ago ⊕ 2 Agree
-  I love the feel of Fremont, hate the escalating taxes.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
-  I like the small town atmosphere with plenty of woods and trails.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
-  I love the small town atmosphere and that it is close to everything.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
-  I like that we have a 2acre zoning.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
-  = High home prices/lack of affordability.
20 days ago ⊕ 2 Agree
-  I enjoy the friendliness of the people in this small town. The overall pride the Town takes in its history, natural resources, roads, and governance has been exceptional over the years. As with most human endeavors, what you put into the Town is what you'll get out of it.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
-  I grew up in Fremont and love the small town where everyone knows everyone. But more and more people keep moving in and changing the way of living here. It's nothing like it used to be
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
-  I enjoy the quiet and private nature of the town. I can go for a long walk with my kids and dogs and feel safe. I don't worry about whether or not I remembered to lock my car at night. I also enjoy that although it's very quiet here, in 10 minutes I can be at the grocery store or highway.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
-  I love the rural nature of Fremont and the fact I live close to the Brentwood line, I'm close to shopping, restaurants and gas.
one month ago
-  I like the privacy. Getting more and more expensive to live here with very few face lifts/additions - but it is a nice area and the people are good people. Highway dept is excellent.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
-  Fremont is far from affordable, but it is more affordable than surrounding communities.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree

- This town has potential, however, appropriate businesses need to be incorporated to take on some of the tax burden and allow us to have access to better education. Keep the small town feel that is covered by all and develop village-like shops.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- Easy access to grocery stores. Mid way between the airport and beach.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Quiet neighborhoods with recreational activities (Exeter River, Town Forest)
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Cost of comparable real estate is much more affordable than nearby towns while still maintaining good school district and close to everything we like but still a small town feel.
one month ago
- Hate the taxes but love everything else about Fremont. Friendly, rural, quiet small town.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Love the small town feel of Fremont, friendly people. The taxes and poorly rated school systems make me second guess my choice to live here with my children. I am confident though, that we will NOT elect such a low rated high school like Sanborn , Raymond , or Epping- as this will poorly reflect on our children and property values.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- Nice town. Friendly people. Does not feel like a city.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- We moved to Fremont in 2006 because of the small town, and lots of trees and privacy on our lot. So many other towns had lots that were clear cut with no personality. People are very friendly too. The school taxes are insane though, with no end in sight - that's the only blight of living in Fremont.
one month ago ⊕ 4 Agree
- It is hard to pick one because I liked the way the town was 50 years ago, and it is nothing like that now.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- Where I grew up is now a city - no longer a town with high rises and my parents always said it changed - it is forever ruined - it is happening everywhere. Sorry you have to see so much change - I am sure that is hard.
one month ago
- Moved here almost 6 years ago looking for a small quiet town . Like to keep it small unlike some towns around. Have met alot of nice folk. I see people care about the community so I have joined as a volunteer to give my 2 cents back. I think the more you are involved around town and also meet your neighbors the more you will be impressed.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- We moved here 100 percent for the school 13 years ago
And we have never regretted the choice we made
one month ago
- I really enjoy living in a small rural town with lots of trees and natural areas where everyone knows your name. You can get involved and have a large impact on the community. I hope that Fremont will remain small and rural and not be over developed like many of the surrounding areas.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- Easy to get to the seacoast, convenient shopping in Epping.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- Centrally located between Manchester and Portsmouth. I love the small town feel.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree



Small town feel but close to the highway and all of the shopping in Epping
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree



Location — between Manchester and Portsmouth, and close to both the airport and the coast —
is great
one month ago ⊕ 4 Agree



I like that my home is large and I have land. Things are nearby and my children have friends
their age.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree



Close to highways to commute to work
one month ago

How important is each of the following features to Fremont's character?

	Not important	Important	Very important	No opinion
Dark night-time sky	15% Not important	40% Important	36% Very important	9% No opinion
Locally owned businesses	11% Not important	54% Important	31% Very important	5% No opinion
In home or home-based businesses	26% Not important	44% Important	14% Very important	16% No opinion
Traditional New England style architecture	31% Not important	43% Important	19% Very important	6% No opinion
Signs with traditional New England style designs	39% Not important	40% Important	13% Very important	8% No opinion
Keep commercial development within the current allowed zones (orange and purple areas on zoning map).	25% Not important	34% Important	38% Very important	3% No opinion
Working farms	8% Not important	49% Important	41% Very important	2% No opinion
Forested areas	4% Not important	33% Important	62% Very important	1% No opinion
Open fields, pastures and meadows	7% Not important	33% Important	58% Very important	2% No opinion
Land suitable for wildlife habitat	2% Not important	27% Important	69% Very important	2% No opinion
Healthy wetlands, streams, and ponds	2% Not important	29% Important	66% Very important	3% No opinion
Drinkable water from private wells	1% Not important	10% Important	87% Very important	2% No opinion
Antique houses and barns	22% Not important	43% Important	25% Very important	11% No opinion
Historic public buildings	20% Not important	54% Important	21% Very important	5% No opinion
Old stone walls	24% Not important	44% Important	24% Very important	8% No opinion
Keep mixed use development (residential mixed with smaller commercial/retail uses) within the current allowed zones (pink and green areas on zoning map).	19% Not important	50% Important	25% Very important	5% No opinion

283 respondents

- Fremont needs to be more commercial business friendly. Local business are SUFFERING because of an antiquated signage ruling that no other towns have. Fremont needs local business to bring in more visitors and for what reason? We know Fremont is rural there is not need to keep it in the 1800's it's not working.

6 days ago
- Love the town as it is . Let's keep it this way

10 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- The town needs to have more manageable taxes.

21 days ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- I love the history and charm of our town but even though we look rural the reality is Fremont is a town bound by car travel. I would love to see more areas that people can move around by foot or bike safely, especially in the downtown area. Nothing builds community like being able to be out in your community.

21 days ago ⊕ 4 Agree
- Among the highest taxes in the state, with nothing to show for it? What do we actually get for these high taxes? We need commercial and retail businesses to help ease tax burden on residents. Let businesses put signs on Main St so they can actually attract customers.

22 days ago ⊕ 5 Agree
- We need to ease the pain on the homeowners taxes. Some business that help with that but don't impact the need for more police or fire. How is it that the town has put in an over 55 community with 139 homes all paying taxes with no impact on the school system but yet my taxes keep going up?????

22 days ago ⊕ 4 Agree
- High taxes needs to be addressed

22 days ago ⊕ 4 Agree
- Na

22 days ago
- Love seeing older houses and newer houses the same but enough development. Used to loved walking down my street. Now it's all plowed down and who knows how many more houses they'll add

22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- The Forests are an important feature and should be protected from Business development.

23 days ago ⊕ 5 Agree
- The wetlands are critical features in need of protection because they sustain high quality drinking water which we all need access to.

29 days ago ⊕ 5 Agree
- Taxes need to be kept negotiable. There is no reason the Town of Fremonts taxes to be among the highest in the State when we have little to no services.

one month ago ⊕ 5 Agree
- The evidence of history and rural beauty in our town makes me proud and is the reason we moved here

one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- Wetlands
Open space
Small businesses
We need a good coffee shop!

one month ago ⊕ 5 Agree
- Taxes to high. People are selling their homes and leaving as they can't afford this town anymore

one month ago ⊕ 6 Agree

- I just moved here in 2019 and could not be happier. I do not want to see further commercial growth or decimation of nature for housing. This is a unique beautiful town and hope to preserve it.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- No traffic lights, no congestion, lots of open space - if you need to shop it's available close by but not needed in town. Twenty five year resident and I love this town, I want it to keep it's character.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- I think single family homes should be a priority. Condominiums put a strain on the resources.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- As housing development has occurred in Town so far and perhaps more importantly the way conservation efforts have been occurring, the Town has mostly been able to hold onto its rural character. The drive through the village, along Scribner Road, over Beede Hill Road, or South Road and North Road gives a sense of place to the Town. I always get a feeling of being home as I slow down and start to relax from the hectic pace of the day driving on them.
one month ago
- In my opinion we currently have an excellent mix of "old with the new". We have many new construction homes as well as historic homes and buildings. It would be a shame to lose the New England charm this town has, personally it is one of my favorite things about living here. Bringing in some additional small businesses would be a great addition within the allowed zones.
one month ago
- I would like to see more business open in the town to help reduce our taxes. We need to make Fremont more welcoming to small business owners.
one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- The river running through it. The beautiful farms along main street - Walker Farm/Carder Farm, the rec fields for the kids to play, the trails - behind library leads to a pond for the kids to swim and be kids.
one month ago
- I would be fine with encouraging more commercial property (stores/restaurants/market etc) along the green zoned area and relaxed regulation in the orange zone but keep it out of the rest of the zones.
one month ago
- Fremont has an incredible and extremely proud history. It and the beautiful rural scenery is what makes this town so special and blessed....especially since too many surrounding towns are quickly becoming overbuilt and losing their rural character. PLEASE don't EVER lose the wonderful assets that make our town so truly special.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- Nature, keeping things natural & healthy. Commercial is fine as long as it doesn't ruin our small town and harm our natural resources. Having more commercial buildings on Spaulding Road for example, with some variety would be nice (food options, retail, etc.)
one month ago
- Keep commercial development minimal and maintain the rural character of the town.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Healthy drinking water, conservation areas
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- none
one month ago
- The conservation of open space for recreation as well as a moratorium on house building. More houses, more police, more fire, more teachers, more taxes to pay for it all.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree



Controlled and well-planned future commercial development would help taxes. Local school tax is 73% of the tax bill. Ellis School payroll budget is more than our town budget.

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree



If you lose the natural beauty of Fremont and/or the quality of the water, you will lose the town. Development is necessary for growth and affordability, but it needs to be done with care. I do think more multiunit/affordable housing would be good.

one month ago

⊕ 2 Agree



People need to understand that high quality of life has a cost. If you can't afford it, and want to live in the wilderness, please move to Maine.

one month ago

⊕ 4 Agree



We need to start allowing business into our community or we will never feel tax relief. Our safety and education of our children should not be the only cutbacks. Everyone says we need to give to get. Well this is also an area we need to give.

one month ago

⊕ 5 Agree

The Town should pursue MORE of each of the following? Please rate:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Fast food restaurants	3% Strongly Agree	7% Agree	19% Neutral	40% Disagree	31% Strongly Disagree
Full service restaurants	11% Strongly Agree	38% Agree	31% Neutral	14% Disagree	6% Strongly Disagree
Retail stores	9% Strongly Agree	25% Agree	28% Neutral	25% Disagree	13% Strongly Disagree
Hotels, motels, inns	3% Strongly Agree	8% Agree	25% Neutral	40% Disagree	23% Strongly Disagree
Office buildings or office parks	12% Strongly Agree	30% Agree	22% Neutral	23% Disagree	13% Strongly Disagree
Light manufacturing businesses	10% Strongly Agree	36% Agree	23% Neutral	19% Disagree	11% Strongly Disagree
Protected open spaces	42% Strongly Agree	36% Agree	16% Neutral	2% Disagree	3% Strongly Disagree
Single family houses	28% Strongly Agree	36% Agree	22% Neutral	10% Disagree	5% Strongly Disagree
Elderly housing	13% Strongly Agree	33% Agree	35% Neutral	15% Disagree	4% Strongly Disagree
Apartments or multi-family homes	5% Strongly Agree	18% Agree	25% Neutral	32% Disagree	19% Strongly Disagree
Mobile/ manufactured homes	3% Strongly Agree	6% Agree	27% Neutral	44% Disagree	20% Strongly Disagree
Recreational facilities	12% Strongly Agree	51% Agree	26% Neutral	7% Disagree	3% Strongly Disagree
Crosswalks at critical areas	17% Strongly Agree	39% Agree	24% Neutral	11% Disagree	9% Strongly Disagree
Public transportation (bus, rail, etc)	6% Strongly Agree	17% Agree	34% Neutral	28% Disagree	15% Strongly Disagree
Sidewalks	11% Strongly Agree	32% Agree	26% Neutral	19% Disagree	12% Strongly Disagree
Bicycle paths along roads	12% Strongly Agree	32% Agree	25% Neutral	18% Disagree	12% Strongly Disagree

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Bicycle paths off road	12% Strongly Agree	41% Agree	32% Neutral	8% Disagree	6% Strongly Disagree
Community meeting facilities	8% Strongly Agree	33% Agree	37% Neutral	12% Disagree	9% Strongly Disagree

271 respondents

I wish the stretch of village area ie. near the old cooperage, the Town Hall the old Liberty Market, the auto service, did not resemble a ghost town. Growing up here in the 70s, that area of town had more of a warm down town small business feeling to it. i miss that. It would be much nicer to have some quaint active small businesses there ie. a bakery, country store,deli,, local arts/crafts .Back in those days Fremonters knew each other & the town had more of a small town feeling rather than a commuter town.

7 days ago

Playgrounds

10 days ago

I see alot of people want cross walks and bike paths and want lower taxes . Really people! Let's keep it a small town with no stop lights .

10 days ago

be careful. big business comes with traffic, noise, pollution, more police, fire & higher taxes. Just ask Epping.

16 days ago

We should have an office building(s) right off exit 6. This would attract more businesses to settle here due to convenient location. It would have minimal impact on our community. This would benefit us tax wise.

17 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree

The school portion of the town taxes is too high and the school is mediocre to poor. Ideas for improving education and lowering taxes -

1. Reduce the school budget by hiring non-union staff.
2. Reduce the number of students by encouraging home schooling. Give a property tax rebate for home-schooling families but make the rebate less than the cost saved. This will improve education and reduce taxes simultaneously.
3. Sell the electric sign in front of the school. It is an eyesore and costs money.
4. Allow business signs on Main Street.

17 days ago

The town should really pursue a coffee place such as Heavenly Donuts or the Nutrition Corner.

21 days ago

Business of all kinds would be great if small & local. Let's keep food & retail chains out of downtown.

21 days ago

⊕ 2 Agree

Na

22 days ago

Definitely need some food places. More options and later closing times. Most places close so early.

22 days ago

⊕ 2 Agree

- I love what the library does to support community gatherings with its community room and the various programs it offers. I would love to see a coffee shop/bakery with seating. Not sure where the right spot would be. It was nice near Rock Your Body to have a spot there but in fairness a retail/public business like that should be able to have a tasteful sign on the main road. Also, a crosswalk from school across the street is needed. Wishful thinking but a paved bike trail would be used by our family a lot.
- 22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- The town should persue lowering the Taxes by getting control of the school Board. They are out of control.
- 23 days ago ⊕ 4 Agree
- While we need more business to bolster the tax base, it can be smaller, clean, and in keeping with the flavor of the town.
- one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree
- Room on the side of the roads for bikes. I love biking Beede Hill Rd., North Rd., Sandown Rd., but it is a bit dicey.
Would love another small restaurant...like the Lazy Lion in Deerfield...good food, music, bar, a gathering place.
Same goes for a good coffee shop/bakery to hang out in.
Dream of a public pool....indoor and outdoor, tennis courts, basketball courts.
We should lower our taxes by joining another school district and eliminating the superintendent position.
- one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- The taxes need to be lowered!! I won't be able to afford to live here if they keep going up!
- one month ago ⊕ 4 Agree
- The town should pursue more commercial tax paying base. The cost of The schools is an extreme burden on the home owning taxpayers in town. It will be the reason that I sell my home and move away.
- one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- In keeping with the current reality of the Town being for the most part a bedroom community, creating a more diverse array of environmentally low impact recreational opportunities for our residents and children should be a Town priority.
- one month ago
- We need to make sure we are not going to end up like some of the other towns that pursued "city" planning. We moved here because of the rural nature and we can quickly lose that if we allow the town to increase expenses like parks, bike trails, etc.. Move to the city if you want those facilities. The streets were good enough for me in such a lovely small town.
- one month ago
- Crosswalk from parking lot behind Fremont House of Pizza to the school with flashing signs to warn people speeding through that kids/parents/teachers are crossing to school in morning and afternoon. Sidewalks from library to school at least on one side - Lots of kids walk, ride their bikes to school and up to fields and it is a busy area with curves. Bike paths are great - more and more kids riding bikes to school and fields. Make it easier for our kids to be kids and enjoy getting an ice cream, going to library or the fields.
- one month ago
- Ok with more bike trails as long as it doesnt overtake current ohrv trails
- one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Sidewalks, bike trails, and expanded shopping/food in a small town center area would be fantastic.
- one month ago
- No more housing developments! Keep the forests free.
- one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- Sidewalks, it's a beautiful town for walking & would be better for the children & the ozone than busing.
- one month ago



Keeping with the small town feel. Maintaining our historic attributes to Fremont. The water tower comes to mind. Keeping, acquiring and maintaining conservation land. Be ready and prepared when the contract ends with Sanborn to move forward with better options.

one month ago



Lights at the ball fields would be nice. More open space and conservation. Town could really use a larger public meeting space other than the school gym.

one month ago



Conservation land

one month ago 2 Agree



More functionality at ballfields ie Pickleball court, sheltered pavilion w picnic tables, volleyball/badminton etc or at least ability to set up there.

one month ago

1 Agree



Open space and conservation land

one month ago 1 Agree



Fremont is halfway between Manchester and Hampton and would be great to get some promotion/visibility to attract the right kind of commercial business or a "destination" venue that would draw people in; ie Epping has Seacoast Soccer.

one month ago



More young families that are invested in improving day to day life and investing in the schools.

one month ago

3 Agree



Should be a: "Cordes Free Zone"

one month ago

How satisfied are you with each of the following ASPECTS of the Town?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
Affordability of housing	3% Very Satisfied	32% Satisfied	33% Neutral	22% Dissatisfied	10% Very Dissatisfied
Adequacy of street lighting	12% Very Satisfied	36% Satisfied	34% Neutral	14% Dissatisfied	3% Very Dissatisfied
Off-road vehicle use	9% Very Satisfied	29% Satisfied	52% Neutral	7% Dissatisfied	3% Very Dissatisfied
Quality of of road maintenance	15% Very Satisfied	52% Satisfied	17% Neutral	13% Dissatisfied	3% Very Dissatisfied
Traffic on state roads	3% Very Satisfied	53% Satisfied	33% Neutral	8% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied
Traffic on local roads	5% Very Satisfied	58% Satisfied	28% Neutral	6% Dissatisfied	3% Very Dissatisfied
Traffic speed	5% Very Satisfied	55% Satisfied	21% Neutral	16% Dissatisfied	4% Very Dissatisfied
Appearance of buisness signs	4% Very Satisfied	51% Satisfied	34% Neutral	10% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Appearance of Route 107/Main Street	2% Very Satisfied	48% Satisfied	29% Neutral	20% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied
Police repsonse to crime	17% Very Satisfied	53% Satisfied	26% Neutral	3% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Control of road noise (i.e.motorcycle or truck noise)	7% Very Satisfied	45% Satisfied	29% Neutral	12% Dissatisfied	6% Very Dissatisfied
Removal of roadside litter	5% Very Satisfied	48% Satisfied	27% Neutral	17% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied
Curbside recycling services	21% Very Satisfied	54% Satisfied	17% Neutral	6% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied

269 respondents



The worst is the big trucks speeding on the local roads.

6 days ago



There are some gorgeous properties on Rt 107/Main St., but so absolute dumps. Can these places be cited? If health reasons people cannot maintain homes, maybe volunteers could help do a clean out...

7 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree



Need to get toters for recycling - the workers refuse to pick up anything that drops or is blown out of the small bins. Having a container with a lid may help control the debris.

7 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree

○ Roadside trash gets worse by the week. The spring trash pickup helps for a few days but the trash is mostly back very quickly.

9 days ago

○ let's not have trash and recycle pick up.... let's use a dump. Or private services.

9 days ago

○ Mast Tree Estates roads are in horrible condition. I do not know how the plow drivers don't break their plows. Roads getting more and more torn up every winter.

10 days ago

○ Even the road agent stated how bad Mast Tree is way back in 2011 Town Report. Now nine years later! Thirty-year old subdivision roads need re-do.

9 days ago

○ I was told last year we were at the top of the list. Where is the list?

10 days ago

○ There's no list. They told you what you wanted to hear so you'd vote for all the other warrant articles

9 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree

○ Do not like the blimp think it's a eye soar.

10 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree

○ Fremont is quickly becoming a cut thru for out of town trucks. We're left with noise, pollution and road damage with no taxes to fix them.

16 days ago

⊕ 2 Agree

○ Don't use curbside recycling because it is more expensive than throwing it in the garbage. A waist of tax money.

20 days ago

○ I pay for rental of street light on 107 want to take out been paying since 1978 price keep going up. If taken out makes bridge more dangerous.

22 days ago

○ There's has to be a sign allowed for business set back on Spaulding road. Can be a nice sign just like Fremont Glass.

22 days ago

⊕ 3 Agree

○ Noise doesn't bother me. 107 could use a facelift and be more historical. People fly down streets no matter what the speed limit is.

22 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree

○ Affordable housing is needed everywhere around here. My GPS says 30 mph on Beede and the street signs say 35 mph. If I go 40, people are anxious to pass me :)

22 days ago

○ The speeding and Truck Traffic on Beede Road is insane. Something needs to be done . It just keeps getting worse.

23 days ago

⊕ 3 Agree

○ The police are fabulous! Speaking as a realtor, the cost of housing coupled with the taxes are a serious deterrent.

one month ago

⊕ 4 Agree

○ The motorcycle noise is horrible.
Off road vehicles should be banned, esp. north of 107.
The noise of shooting practice is disturbing...not very peaceful.
Beede and North roads are in great shape now...thank you Leon!
Keep the Sky dark at night...no street lights!

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree

- The plowing/sanding on my road is terrible, I commute 45 miles and the only time I need 4WD is on my road. I believe there is enough police and fire resources for the town, more than enough as the past had proven. But making sure the roads are in good condition during the winter needs to be a priority.
one month ago
- I'm ok with services provided by our taxes, especially knowing that increasing Town services would equate to increasing our Town tax. However, there is 1 exception to this. I strongly feel this Town needs an additional full time police officer.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Should look into getting the recycling barrels like kingston
one month ago
- Bigger buckets for recycle. We need curb side bulky pick up as not everyone has a truck and ways to transport to bulky day.
one month ago
- The signage indicating off-road machines are not to use the Route 107 road edge, to get fuel/snacks etc., need to be maintained.
one month ago
- Highway dept does an excellent job- I mean they are great with these winter roads for sure! But our roads are a mess come Spring/Summer in our neighborhood- we have cones up to avoid pot holes going on years now and a huge sink hole going across the road you drive over it and it feels like an amusement ride. I would love to see Main Street with some traffic lights as well at the entrances/corners to the neighborhoods like Evergreen Estates, Karlin, Mast Tree, etc - it is very dark at night by school and Fremont House of Pizza. The garbage pick up is terrible - The recycling is the worst - they throw full bins over without even getting them into the truck and leave the garbage there on the ground. Every Thursday I go out and clean up all around our area because without fail gallon jugs of water without caps on, cans of soda, boxes - just left there. It is every week - not just once in a blue moon. They are terrible - have had to replace multiple bins due to the guy throwing them across my yard or hard down into the pavement.
one month ago
- Some lighting along North Road would vastly improve safety especially in the blind spot areas.
one month ago
- People need to just slow down
17 days ago
- Speed limits are too low.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Fremont main roads are some of the best I drive on. Trash pickup is also very reliable. Some areas need more lights in the winter, it's gotten better over the past couple years. So glad that ugly blimp is gone.
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- Leon and his crew do a wonderful job with what they have
The town needs to make a large investment on the roads
one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- The road agent does a great job with what he has to work with. I believe that after the school taxes are resolved our roads will be upgraded. Of course would rather not wait for the remaining contract to end but I am realistic. If we had another police officer to patrol the off-road sections of town we would be able to keep them in check.
one month ago
- Leon Holmes has done a great job with the highway department in recent years fixing many roads while being fiscally responsible.
one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree



Our neighborhood road is in deplorable condition. Am hoping that this can be addressed for our neighborhood as well as others in desperate need of repair.

one month ago



Off-roading vehicles should be prohibited on the land north of the Library. That area gets trashed and the terrain is ruined for horseback riders and hikers.

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree

How satisfied are you with the QUALITY of each of the following town services?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
Town Administration	28% Very Satisfied	50% Satisfied	18% Neutral	3% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Building Inspection	7% Very Satisfied	39% Satisfied	48% Neutral	6% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Zoning Enforcement	6% Very Satisfied	31% Satisfied	56% Neutral	6% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied
Tax Assessment	3% Very Satisfied	28% Satisfied	35% Neutral	22% Dissatisfied	13% Very Dissatisfied
Tax Collection	8% Very Satisfied	39% Satisfied	39% Neutral	8% Dissatisfied	6% Very Dissatisfied
Police Department	29% Very Satisfied	52% Satisfied	15% Neutral	2% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Fire Department/ EMS	26% Very Satisfied	52% Satisfied	17% Neutral	4% Dissatisfied	- Very Dissatisfied
Highway Department	28% Very Satisfied	54% Satisfied	13% Neutral	3% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Clerk's Office	34% Very Satisfied	47% Satisfied	16% Neutral	2% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied
Public Library	36% Very Satisfied	39% Satisfied	22% Neutral	2% Dissatisfied	2% Very Dissatisfied
Ellis School	10% Very Satisfied	27% Satisfied	39% Neutral	16% Dissatisfied	8% Very Dissatisfied
Sanborn High School	6% Very Satisfied	18% Satisfied	46% Neutral	15% Dissatisfied	14% Very Dissatisfied
Recreation Department	10% Very Satisfied	31% Satisfied	54% Neutral	4% Dissatisfied	1% Very Dissatisfied
Bulky Day Collection	23% Very Satisfied	40% Satisfied	31% Neutral	3% Dissatisfied	3% Very Dissatisfied
Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day	16% Very Satisfied	32% Satisfied	42% Neutral	7% Dissatisfied	3% Very Dissatisfied

258 respondents

Please indicate your opinion of each of the following facilities, services or regulations related to planning, zoning and building in Fremont.

	Not needed	Might be needed	Definitely needed	No opinion
Sidewalks in the Village District	30% Not needed	41% Might be needed	16% Definitely needed	13% No opinion
Improve cable/telecommunications services	22% Not needed	37% Might be needed	33% Definitely needed	9% No opinion
Protecting aquifers	5% Not needed	29% Might be needed	59% Definitely needed	7% No opinion
Preserving wetlands	6% Not needed	30% Might be needed	62% Definitely needed	3% No opinion
Preserving forests and open space	2% Not needed	24% Might be needed	72% Definitely needed	2% No opinion
Preserving stone walls	20% Not needed	36% Might be needed	37% Definitely needed	8% No opinion
Preserving mature trees along roads	14% Not needed	41% Might be needed	41% Definitely needed	4% No opinion
Preserving historic public buildings	12% Not needed	37% Might be needed	47% Definitely needed	4% No opinion
Increased ease of getting a building permit	19% Not needed	38% Might be needed	17% Definitely needed	26% No opinion
Increased ease of understanding zoning regulations and requirements	10% Not needed	45% Might be needed	26% Definitely needed	20% No opinion
Increased accessibility to Planning and Zoning documents and forms	12% Not needed	46% Might be needed	11% Definitely needed	32% No opinion
Increased availability of the Building Inspector	13% Not needed	43% Might be needed	14% Definitely needed	31% No opinion
Increased availability of Planning and Zoning staff	11% Not needed	46% Might be needed	5% Definitely needed	38% No opinion

258 respondents



Mast Tree roads are in horrible condition and deteriorating quickly.

10 days ago



The towns hours could be better.

These open lands, trees, rock walls should all be protected.

If there was more to shop and visit I would see sidewalks being important but there's nothing "downtown"

22 days ago

⊕ 1 Agree

- 

The town needs to try harder to make sure wetlands Aquifer and forests are protected from Business destruction.

23 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- 

Public safety in the village is important, especially near the school so sidewalks would be good with a crosswalk to the safety complex. Town hall staff are available if you just make a phone call to learn when. We don't need to pay more to staff town hall more.

one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- 

We should join SAU 17, and cut back on admin costs. Save on portable classrooms by having 7-8 go to SAU 17 also.

one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- 

The School in Kingston has already forgotten us and are letting middle School come in to the High school. I wish we built our own back almost twenty years ago, it would be paid off by now.

one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- 

Keeping the rural character and feeling of the Town is a priority for many, if not most, of the Town's residents. If our natural resources, especially our drinking water are not protected from contamination and excessive withdrawal then the character of the Town will be profoundly changed. Protecting our wetlands and their upland forests go hand in hand with protecting our drinking water!

one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree
- 

No opinion on sidewalks; the Village district lies along a STATE road (107). I don't believe we can affect what the STATE does or doesn't do with that highway.

one month ago
- 

We need more availability of the town officers.

one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- 

Renovation of town hall over the past few years has been very nice

one month ago ⊕ 3 Agree

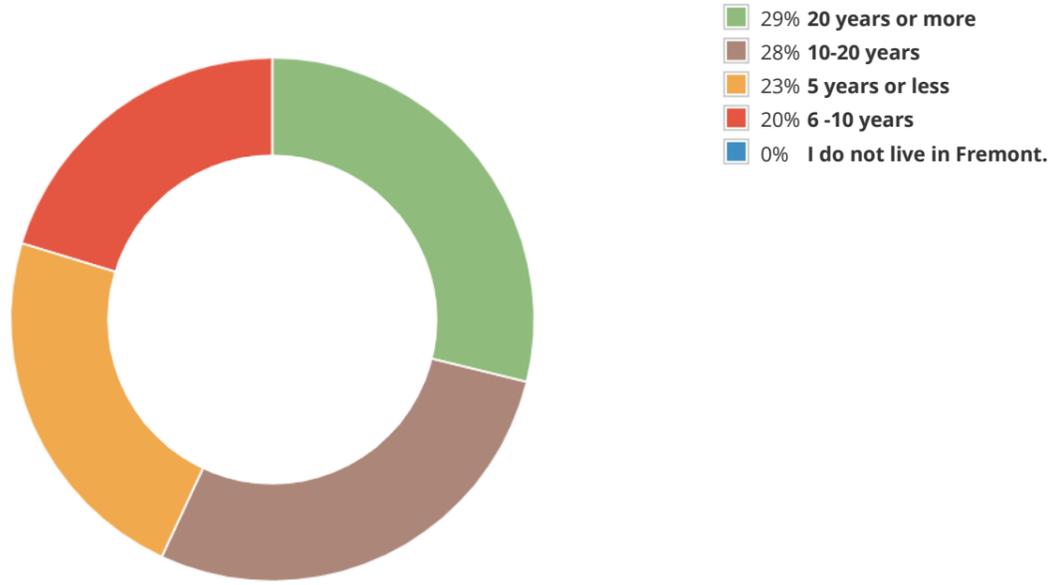
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Please indicate your opinion regarding the following statements about the cost of TOWN services.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I would like improved town services and am willing to pay increased taxes to pay for them.	6% Strongly agree	10% Agree	25% Neutral	26% Disagree	33% Strongly disagree
I would like improved town services, but am NOT willing to pay increased taxes to pay for them.	18% Strongly agree	24% Agree	39% Neutral	12% Disagree	7% Strongly disagree
I would accept decreases in town services in order to lower taxes.	15% Strongly agree	21% Agree	26% Neutral	27% Disagree	12% Strongly disagree
I would NOT accept decreases in town services even if taxes remained the same.	25% Strongly agree	33% Agree	29% Neutral	7% Disagree	7% Strongly disagree
I would not accept decreases in town services even with lowered taxes.	14% Strongly agree	31% Agree	28% Neutral	17% Disagree	10% Strongly disagree

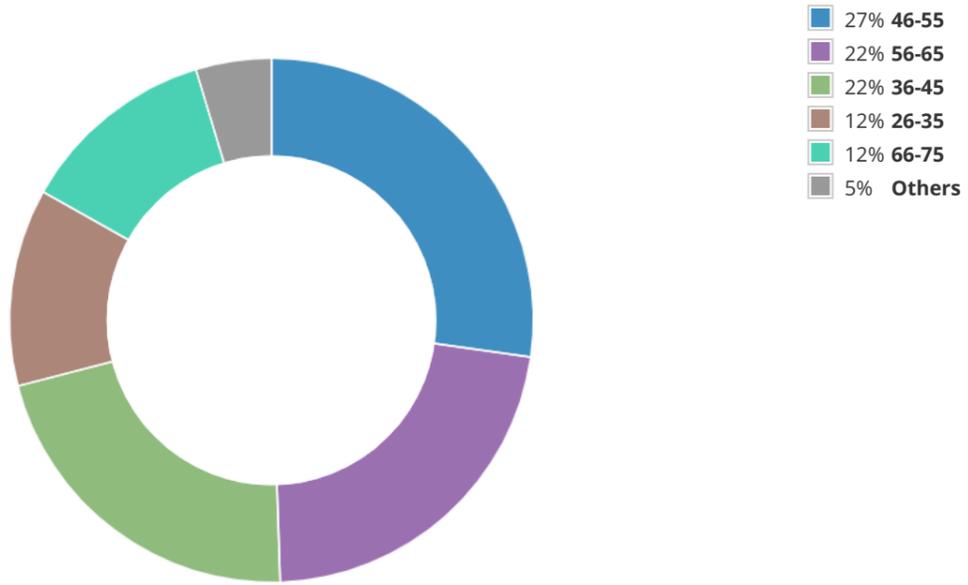
246 respondents

How long have you lived in Fremont?



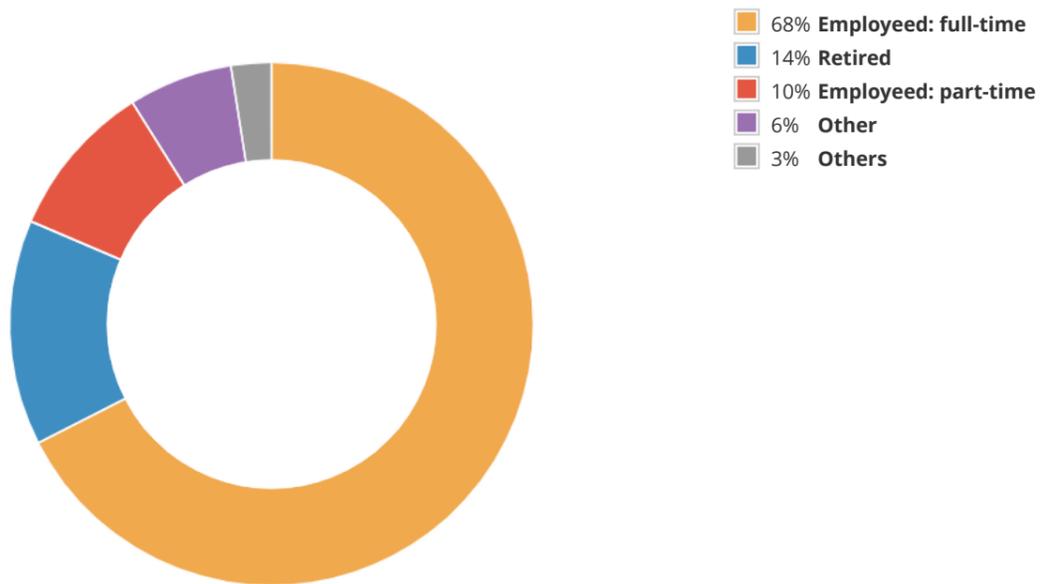
281 respondents

What is your age?



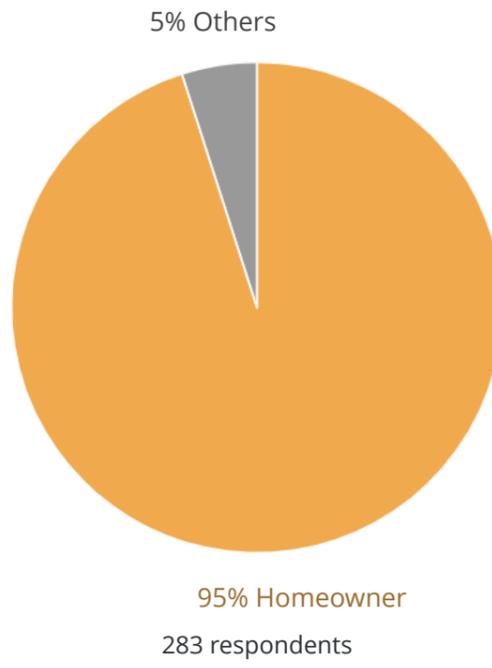
279 respondents

Which of the following best describes your employment situation?



280 respondents

Which category best describes your living situation?



Please indicate what area of Fremont you live in.



Is there anything else you would like to see stay the same, improve or change about Fremont?

- We need a document explaining what people ask about or often don't know ... that the Town has a newsletter and how to find it, how to get a recycle bin, what the different boards do, i.e. local government 101. The Town needs to back up their computer system every day! They need a new web site. The latest is worse than the previous and many important documents are missing, such as archived meeting minutes. Please keep in mind that the reason school expenses are so high is because of UNFUNDED MANDATES. The schools have no control over these expenses because they are legally required to do them. Lowering taxes has resulted in staff not getting important things done, especially in the land use office. It has resulted in no printed Town newsletter which is partly why people don't know what's happening . Some people are thinking weought to eliminate mosquito spraying. The mosquitos and ticks carrying diseases have been found here. A state sales tax would lower property taxes. You would have control of your sales tax by what you purchase.
- one month ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Please move to Massachusetts.
- one month ago
- Why did the town take down the pretty granite posts used for the historic Fremont/Poplin signs. They replaced them with less pleasing small white posts. Why?
- 7 days ago
- Respect for differences in opinions and people not to be so negative on Facebook without offering ideas/solutions or getting involved!
- 8 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- I would like to see More community programs for seniors. I appreciate efforts to keep private Wells pure and safe. Very worried about taxes on a fixed income; hopefully, town officials will always keep this in mind when thinking about town "improvements ". Love the town's country roads and atmosphere; would hate to see too much business development even in business zoned areas. However, a few more businesses may help with tax base.
- 9 days ago
- Mast Tree Estates could use some road work.
- 10 days ago
- Love my town ! Want it to stay just the way it is .
- 10 days ago
- I would like to see a change in the fire policy. The hours are too short, and the call in procedure is not good.
- 17 days ago
- Hunting and target shooting should be outlawed in Spruce Swamp.
- 18 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Fremont is cash-strapped with high taxes due to decades of poor financial decisions/an inability to distinguish between "wants" and "needs." For example, borrow \$995,000 for 20 years at a 7% interest rate to build the taj mahal of a library, with a 130k+/year operating cost, and then wonder why you're broke and have to beg the tax payers via warrant articles for money to pave one or two crumbling roads a year. The tax-base can't support the maintenance of basic infrastructure and now people are floating ideas like a warrant article for a Pavillion. All of these things are fantastic, but the taxpayers just cannot afford them. Fund the basics: public safety, schools, roads/basic infrastructure. Everything else is a want, not a need and can wait.
- 19 days ago
- Taxes are preposterous, as we pay so much and receive so little.
- 20 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- School Choice and lower taxes
- 20 days ago
- Lower taxes would be a great improvement. The taxes here are so high.
- 20 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree

- RE taxes are very high. If they continue to increase we'll be forced to move. Electrical service charges from Eversource are outrageous. The town needs to find an alternative to lower expenses for residents. Is there any way the NH coop deal can be expanded to cover the whole town?
21 days ago
- Coffee places are needed
21 days ago
- We are in the process of putting out house on the market now. High tax rate is ridiculous. Looking to buy just a few towns over with a higher rated school system, a bigger house, and lower taxes...
22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- Sidewalks on North Rd. And a cross walk from Ellis School to the gravel lot next to Fremont Pizza.
22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- I love my town and all the people but most of all that there isn't a lot going around our area! Taxes should not have to be raised anymore in my opinion I think this town is doing great!
22 days ago
- Taxes are forcing people to sell and encouraging buyers not to buy. Not a recipe for a successful town. Something needs to be done. New families moving to town do not care what the yokels want to look at on their Sunday drive.
22 days ago
- Tax
22 days ago
- The taxes are OUT OF CONTROL. The School tax burden is absurd. 20K per year per kid?!!! We are devolving into Massachusetts north. This town manages finances like an undisciplined, broke person who buys everything on credit We will move from Fremont eventually.
22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- the taxes are tooo high. Thinks the town should look into eliminating the school we have and placing the students in nearby schools for a fair price
22 days ago ⊕ 1 Agree
- I will lose my home to property taxes at some point if we can't get an elder break. AND I live on what used to be a river. I need a tax break for property value loss.
22 days ago
- Na
22 days ago
- Begin negotiations to become voting member of Sanborn SAU early. They can't afford to lose us.
22 days ago
- Fremont should remain a Bedroom community and not be turned into a commercial Dumping Ground. Keep Fremont Rural.
23 days ago
- Fremont is a nice town but is not Senior friendly
24 days ago
- There's black rock community 55+ and a second one 55+ community. Plus there's a Assisted living/nursing home right in town.
22 days ago
- I live in a 55+ and between the taxes, rent fee, and maintenance it is becoming too expensive for people on a fixed income. We were lured in with a sales pitch promising all maintenance included and were lied too. We will be looking for someplace less expensive to live. I love my neighbors but can't afford to live here.
22 days ago



Please maintain Fremont's semi-rural character and protect wetlands.

29 days ago



I would like to see some full time fire personnel - It can take a long time to get to a structure during the day time.

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree



Love the rural nature of Fremont which means more wildlife, less traffic and noise than some surrounding communities. I love that my neighbors are not right on top of me, but people are generally friendly and kind. I would like to see more agriculture in town, more local food. Our open spaces should be preserved for agriculture, especially where there are good soils. Having rural character provides the opportunities for more community involvement.

one month ago



Better official communication. I learned of this survey from a neighbor. We need a mailing list that would allow town officials to communicate directly with us, though we could be required to respond via the town website to the appropriate office.

one month ago



We need cheaper cable/internet service. The town should invest in solar on our public buildings, maybe even an array like Brentwood has on 125....the energy could be shared?

one month ago

⊕ 2 Agree



The property tax burden is getting out of control. Without some level of a commercial development base in our town, we will ALWAYS be plagued by ever increasing property taxes. Folks, it's really just that simple.

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree



Also ability to have second trash because of my in law dwelling unit!

one month ago



Stop raising taxes!!

one month ago ⊕ 2 Agree



The school is a big concern for people in town because of the tax burden. I want it known that our schools are worth the cost. They do so much with so little already. It is shameful that teachers are supplying so much out of their own pockets. Ellis is a great school. The teachers and staff need to know that we appreciate them. Yes it is expensive to run our school, but we need to fix the tax burden without cutting anything else from our children's education.

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree



We as a town need to live within our means and stop the constant raising of real estate taxes.

one month ago

⊕ 2 Agree



I would love to see the water tower restored.

one month ago



I would like the ability to have a second trash barrel even if I have to pay for it.

one month ago



We need a way to keep property taxes under control. I feel that the services the town provides are good, appropriate for a town of this size. The property taxes, however are way out of control and only getting worse. I don't think we should skimp on education, but we also need to find ways to conserve. I don't think that a Master's Degree should guarantee you a 60k salary.

one month ago

⊕ 1 Agree



PERMISSION TO DRIVE ATVS ON ROADS

one month ago

⊕ 2 Agree



I hope the character of our town stays as is, no need to grow larger. This town is great the way it is.

one month ago

⊕ 2 Agree

-  Build a High school...
one month ago  1 Agree
-  assess impact fee on developers to cover additional cost of services to the taxpayer. the developers reap the rewards and leave us the bill for it there is no equity in that
one month ago  2 Agree
-  I would like to see the academics in our schools improve. Many think giving the school large sums of money will solve this problem but despite our infusion of cash into our schools over the years, the Fremont students are usually behind when they get to Sanborn. There needs to be a systematic change at Ellis and Sanborn.
one month ago  2 Agree
-  Well said! I agree with you 100%
one month ago
-  Improved safety of our police officers by increasing the number of full time officers by one. Continued support of our school. More people volunteering to help improve our rural community.
one month ago  2 Agree
-  Fremont could benefit from a private/charter school and a school voucher program. Or, set the public school tax rate against a measurable KPI (one that sufficiently demonstrates student career achievement and/or success). What is Fremont school system doing that gives our children a leg up over surrounding towns' families paying similar tax rates? Happy to support the public schools, but I'd like to know that my child is getting a competitively better education than surrounding towns paying a similar tax rate.
one month ago  2 Agree
-  I find the ignorance in most of these comments utterly shocking. The Ellis school is wonderful, and a kindergarten teacher making 60k is an underpaid professional who likely has a masters degree. Every single dollar of our tax money can be accounted for if you pay attention and care to educate yourself. Choosing not to invest in education will fail the public every single time. An underpaid and overworked staff at an elementary school would be no place for our children. The turnout at our town voting is disgraceful, so people should focus on showing up on voting day rather than complaining about how their money is being spent.
one month ago  2 Agree
-  60 k for a Kindergarten Teacher is insane!
23 days ago  2 Agree
-  If someone is unhappy with their salary then they have the right to go find a job that pays them what they feel they are worth. We live in a world with budgets, i have one i live within and so does our town. When does the taxpayer without children get a break. and yes I vote at every election
one month ago  2 Agree
-  I would pay more taxes for increased Police enforcement...not for more "wheely bins" or another sports field.
one month ago
-  Keep Fremont the small town we all love and don't try and make it a city with all the city services and costs. IMPROVE the schools. I think it's time to fire teachers that aren't performing and why do we need multiple administrators in a small school in Fremont? It's time to look at how we can streamline and be more cost effective while improving how we teach our children. Town Offices need to be open more later in the day given most of us work and can't get to the town hall until after 5 or 6.
one month ago  2 Agree
-  Pay the teachers more. They are grossly underpaid. Hire more teachers to address the staffing shortages. Encourage more businesses to come to Fremont to help fund improvements and increase tax revenue. Thoroughly love living in Fremont.
one month ago  2 Agree
-  Reign in spending so we can reduce taxes. They are outrageous!
one month ago  2 Agree



Preserving our historic landmarks and its history.

one month ago

2 Agree



Stop spending so much on the schools - get somebody with a business degree in accounting to run it,. The teacher salaries for this tiny town are exorbitant! Highest salaries in the country, for what and no checks & balances? Bring on the charter schools! Cost for mosquito control & fire trucks we don't use is ridiculous. Focus on the WHOLE town, not a select few.

one month ago

1 Agree



I think the town plays favorites when it comes to planning and zoning and makes it very difficult for some people to do things that they should be able to do on their property but makes it very easy for other people to do things they shouldn't be doing. It seems you have to know the right people to get stuff done in this town. I think there should be a lot less hoop jumping for some people and more for others. It's not a fair playing field. I think the tax rate for what we get is ridiculous and it is driving good, hard working families out of the town. That being said, it is a great place to live and the people that live here are amazing and really care about the town. Many thanks to our teachers, first responders and the many community members that volunteer their time whether it be for recreational activities for our children or for conserving the nature around town and the many other things Fremont residents do to make our town great.

one month ago

3 Agree



This questionnaire is a great idea. The execution in my opinion is a total failure. How is it useful if anybody in the world can fill it out? And fill it out multiple times. If we want real results, we should have a way of authenticating one entry per household. I don't have an easy answer for this because people will be worried about privacy and tracing their answers. Maybe something similar to our voting ballots...but instead of this long laundry list of questions, narrow down the scope to 10 questions that fit on one page of a ballot sheet.

one month ago

4 Agree



This survey tool has several features built in to help reduce influence of any non-residents of Fremont taking the survey and to reduce the possibility of an individual taking the survey multiple times. However, the possibilities cannot be completely guaranteed. All results of the survey will be available to the public. While the Fremont Planning Board intends to use the results as part of the updates to the Fremont Master Plan, this survey will only be one of many references and public input opportunities used in this process.

one month ago



More enforcement is needed on the OHRV use on the Rail trail. More enforcement is needed on the site plan review requirements. We need to solve our high school relationship long term and bring down our related costs.

one month ago



Lower the taxes we are pushing people away

one month ago

2 Agree



We need to increase taxes and weed out those that aim to bring down the town or there will be no one left that wants to live here.

one month ago



Let's see, you're a middle age male living in your mother's basement right?

one month ago



Your out of your mind we already pay one of the highest taxes

one month ago



Nice town if you can afford it.

one month ago

1 Agree



Fremont is a great place to live. Citizens work well together to restrain taxes while providing a good base of public services and education. Have also had a great experience at Sanborn HS.

one month ago



Ellis salaries are ridiculous! Kindergarten teachers making 60k? Business administrator makes 92k? Music teacher makes 70k? And more? Why do we need a Supt? Then a Principal and an Asst Principal? Come on!

one month ago

⊕ 8 Agree



get rid of the school superintendent. We pay a salary for a person to administer 1 school.(a lousy one at that) Ellis school is disgraceful, the teachers all need to be replaced. My grandkid live in town, but go to school elsewhere.

one month ago

⊕ 3 Agree



Public budget hearing notification needs improvement. Use Facebook Live so people can watch and comment in when there are meetings.

one month ago

⊕ 2 Agree